Upcoming Events...

36th Annual Friends’ Fall Book Sale
Saturday, October 4th  
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Sunday, October 5th  
1:00 - 4:00 PM

Sunday is Bargain Day! Sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.

Politics with William Mayer
Thurs., October 9th  
7:00 PM
Dr. William G. Mayer, Associate Professor of Political Science - Northeastern University will speak about the upcoming Fall Presidential Elections. Sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.

KLS Magic Castle Puppet Theater: A Pirate’s Missing Pumpkin Halloween Show
Sat., October 25th  
10:30 AM
“A Pirate’s Missing Pumpkin” is a puppet performance with lots of fun and mystery. A pirate pulls his ship to shore in hopes of recovering his missing... and magical pumpkin which finds him many treasures in the sea. Meanwhile, Frances the Fish has been lost somewhere and all the sea creatures are concerned because Frances has been so caring about all the life in the oceans. Can you guess who hides in a pumpkin patch not far from the ocean? Who does the Missing Pumpkin help?... Come and join us for this magical puppet presentation.

Author Eve LaPlante:
Salem Witch Judge: The Life and Repentance of Samuel Sewall
Tues., October 28th  
7:00 PM
Eve LaPlante, a sixth great-granddaughter of Samuel Sewall, will speak about the life of her famous ancestor Salem Witch Judge Samuel Sewall, the only person to make public repentance over his actions and the only Salem Witch Judge to make amends. There will be an autographing session following the presentation. Books will be available for sale. Sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.

Best-Selling Author Robin Cook, MD
Tuesday, September 9 at 7:30 PM
Author Robin Cook will discuss his new novel Foreign Body, set in India and the United States. Widely credited with introducing the word “medical” to the thriller genre with his first novel, Coma, Robin Cook will talk about medical tourism, the theme of this novel, and about his work and life including the prequel to Foreign Body produced on the web by Michael Eisner. Foreign Body is his 28th national bestseller; he has been translated into 40 languages and has sold more than one hundred million copies. This year’s event will conclude with a book signing. Seating will be available on a first-come basis. Sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham. Books courtesy of Wellesley Booksmith.

Anna’s Shetel - Author Lawrence Cobin
Wednesday, September 24 at 7:00 PM
Anna Spector was born in 1905 in Korsun, a Ukrainian town on the Ros River, eighty miles south of Kiev. Korsun and its fluid ethnic population were characteristic of the Pale of Settlement in Eastern Europe: comprised of Ukrainians, Cossacks, Jews and other groups living uneasily together in relationships punctuated by violence.

Library Notes
Welcome to Library Notes, a monthly publication of the Needham Free Public Library. Each month we’ll give you a synopsis of the monthly goings-on and events happening at the Library, as well as highlighting ongoing services.....

Note: All events are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted.

Library Hours:
Mon. - Thurs. 9:00am - 9:00pm
Fridays 9:00am - 5:30pm
Saturdays 9:00am - 5:00pm
Sundays 1:00pm - 5:00pm

September 2008
What’s happening this month in the Children’s Room...

**September Storytimes**

Lap-sit Baby Book Time - for ages up to 2 1/2
Wed., Sept. 3, 10, 24 10:00 - 10:20 AM
We read stories, sing songs, do rhymes, and fingerplays for about 20 minutes.

Toddler Time for ages 2 1/2 - 4
Thurs., Sept. 4, 25 10:00 AM
We read stories, sing songs, and more for 30 minutes

Preschool Stories for ages 3 - 5
Tues., Sept. 2, 23, 30 10:00 AM
We read stories, sing songs, and play games for about 30 minutes

Stories from around the world for PreK - Gr.1
Tues., Sept. 2, 9, 23, 30 4:00 - 4:30 PM
We will be reading stories from around the world for about 30 minutes.

*Story times are drop-in - no registration required. All children must be accompanied by an adult.*

**September Music Activities**

Sing-Along with Ed Morgan
Thurs., Sept. 4th 3:00 PM
For children 2.9-5 years accompanied by an adult. This is a drop-in program - please arrive on time.

Music, Movement and Me with Sara Epstein
Tues., Sept. 9th 9:30 AM
Fri., Sept. 26th 10:00 AM
An interactive music and movement program for children ages 0-4 and adults. Registration required - max. 20 children & accompanying adult. Registration begins approx. 1 week before program and is limited to one session only.

Ready, Set...Move with Cici Hunt: for ages 3-5
Thurs., Sept. 11th 11:00 AM
Thurs., Sept. 18th 11:00 AM
Join Cici Hunt in this fun-filled music and movement class for children and their caretakers. Registration is required.

**September Reading Events**

Read-Aloud Book Club for 1st & 2nd Graders
Wed., Sept. 24th 4:00 PM
This month we will be reading *Young Cam Jansen and the Missing Cookie* by David Adler, do some fun activities, and have a discussion about the book. Registration is required and limited to 15 children in rising grades 1-2.

Lucy the R.E.A.D. Dog
Mon., Sept 29th 6:30 PM
Join Lucy, a black lab, and Pat Howes (first grade teacher at Newman) for a great program that encourages children to read! To learn more about Lucy and this program, go to: http://fcw.needham.ma.us/~lucy_the_dog/50159F92.

Registration is required and limited to 15 children.

**September Programs in the Community Room**

Children’s Singer Mr. Kim Webster
Saturday, Sept. 27th 10:30 AM
Mr. Kim integrates music and puppetry to entertain and educate your musical minds. An accomplished guitarist and songwriter, Mr. Kim’s music program incorporates fun movement exercises and handplay to introduce such concepts as rhythm and tonality. Come join us for this fun family event.

Children’s Movie:
*The Little Mermaid - Ariel’s Beginning*
Friday, Sept. 26th 3:30 PM
Long ago in a kingdom where music is outlawed King Triton’s youngest daughter Ariel discovers her love for music in a secret underground music club. Torn with the choice of whether to hide her passion or share it with her father and risk losing everything Ariel sets off on a daring adventure to restore music to Atlantica. (Rated G - 77 min)

**NPL Book Group**
Tuesday, Sept. 9th 1:00 PM
This month’s selection: *The Golden Notebook* by Doris Lessing
“The Golden Notebook” tells the story of writer Anna Wulf and the crises she faces in her personal, political and professional life. Confounded by writer’s block, the ferociously independent Wulf explores her situation in four notebooks, one for each of the strands in her life. “The Golden Notebook” is the one in which, struggling to retain her sanity, she brings these strands together.

**NPL Evening Book Group**
Wednesday, Sept. 17th 7:00 PM
This month’s selection: *The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak
Set during World War II in Germany, Liesel Meminger, a foster girl living outside of Munich, scratching out a meager existence for herself by stealing. With the help of her accordion-playing foster father, she learns to read and shares her stolen books with her neighbors during bombing raids. This is an unforgettable story about the ability of books to feed the soul.

*Appearing this month in the Friends’ Gallery:*

Dan Callahan - “Scenes from Life”
Display Cases:
Rebecca Kinney - “Baby Hats and Children’s Books”

**September Craft Activities**

Creative Kids Craft: for ages 5 - 7
Thurs., Sept. 11th 4:00 PM
Registration required, maximum of 15 children.

Craft for ages 3 - 5
Thurs., Sept. 25th 4:00 PM
Registration required, maximum of 15 children.